Port Performance Freight Statistics Working Group: Draft Meeting Agenda

U.S. Department of Transportation
Conference Center
Oklahoma City Room
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Friday, September 23, 2016 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Note: All sessions are open to members of the public who have registered with BTS on or before September 19, 2016 (see BTS contact information at end of agenda)

9:00 AM—Welcome and Port Performance Freight Statistics Program Updates

Rolf Schmitt, Deputy Director, Bureau of Transportation Statistics
U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research & Technology

- Welcome to participants
- Updates on BTS Port Performance Freight Statistics Program activities

9:15 AM—Agenda Overview

Anne Aylward, Director

U.S. Department of Transportation, Volpe National Transportation Systems Center

Summary of agenda and meeting objectives

9:30 AM—Working Group Updates

Randy Iwasaki, Working Group Chair Contra Costa Transportation Authority

Rebecca Yackley, Working Group Vice Chair Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation

- Overview of Working Group activities to date
- Review/approval of 7/15/16 meeting minutes and Working Group bylaws
- High-level summary of member responses to questions posed in 7/15/16 meeting

10:00 AM—Port Definitions and Sources for TEU/Tonnage/Dry Bulk Lists

Daniel Hackett, Partner Hackett Associates

Amy Tujague, Special Requests Project Manager U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

- Overview and background of proposed data sources and lists/summary of member feedback on data sources – Daniel Hackett
- Overview of USACE Waterborne Commerce Statistics data Amy Tujague

10:45 AM—Break

11:00 AM —Overview of Suggested Port Metrics for Capacity and Throughput

Dan Smith, Principal The Tioga Group

 Overview of suggested port capacity and throughput metrics as based on Working Group member feedback and review of available information

11:30 AM—Discussion and Questions (Anne Aylward, moderator)

12:00 PM—Lunch (Working Group Members and invited guests only)

Executive Dining Room

1:00 PM—Breakout Discussions

Working Group members will discuss port definitions, data sources, and suggested port metrics.

2:30 PM—Break

2:45 PM—Breakout Discussion Report-Outs (Anne Aylward, moderator)

3:45 PM—Public Comments

Due to time constraints, it may be necessary to limit the amount of time allocated for verbal statements from the public and/or the number of individuals that may speak. Therefore, we encourage members of the public to submit written statements to portstatistics@dot.gov. Comments must be received on or before September 19, 2016, for this meeting.

4:15 PM—Recap and Next Steps

Randy Iwasaki, Working Group Chair Rebecca Yackley, Working Group Vice Chair

4:30 PM—Adjournment

Submitting Written Comments to the Working Group

Persons who wish to submit written comments may send them by email to portstatistics@dot.gov or by mail to Matthew Chambers, Designated Federal Officer, Port Performance Freight Statistics Working Group, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room # E32-342, Washington, DC 20590. Comments must be received on or before September 19, 2016 for this meeting.